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25X1A9a DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 16 July 1956

25X1A9a PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory,  
Col. White, Mr. [REDACTED]  
Mr. [REDACTED]

Mr. Dulles:

a. Noted the Vice President, at the NSC meeting on 12 July, reported on his recent trip to the Far East and in particular had raised: 1) strengthening the authority of the Ambassador to insure coordination of all U.S. programs in each country; 2) consolidating, wherever feasible, the separate U.S. programs being conducted in each country; 3) insuring the number of U.S. official personnel in each country is reduced to the minimum required to implement essential programs. The Director said with regard to point 3, the Vice President specifically mentioned ICA and to some degree MAAG Missions and did not refer to CIA. Mr. Amory suggested missions are to be reduced, DD/P might wish to [REDACTED] now being furnished CIA. The Director agreed.

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25X1A2g d. Noted he would brief the State and Service members  
of the IAC on [REDACTED] after the IAC meeting on 17 July and  
said he would like [REDACTED] or 25X1A9a  
25X1A9a [REDACTED] to be present, and in fact be prepared to do  
most of the briefing. Mr. Amory undertook to notify the  
appropriate IAC members of the Director's desire to see them in  
his office after the meeting.

e. Referred to a cable from [REDACTED] and asked 25X1A6a  
Mr. Wisner to let him know whether he (DCI) should do anything  
about the information contained therein.

f. Asked DD/S to prepare for his approval a memorandum  
to be sent all employees respecting violations of the Hatch  
Clean Politics Act in the general election campaign. The  
Director stated that the memo should also include a statement  
that while he and the Deputy Director were Presidential  
appointees and might be considered as excluded from the  
provisions of the Hatch Act, both he and General Cabell intended  
to abide by it.

25X1A9a g. Referred to a survey contained in the New York Herald  
Tribune of Sunday, 15 July, respecting how the Europeans feel  
about the US and asked DD/P to bring this survey to the  
attention of [REDACTED] and his people.

h. Noted that DD/P would be interested in the following 25X1A6a  
State cables: [REDACTED]

25X1A9a i. Noted a cable from the [REDACTED] requesting 25X1A6a  
permission to return to headquarters for consultation and  
asked [REDACTED] to determine whether this trip is absolutely  
necessary.

j. Referred to either a State or Army cable from Iran  
indicating that the Shah's popularity is rapidly decreasing  
and asked DD/P to query our [REDACTED] for further 25X1A9a  
information and details.

k. Noted he had received a call from [REDACTED] who  
said his son had been lost in Afghanistan for over two months.  
The Director said he had made it clear to Mr. [REDACTED] there is  
nothing CIA could do about this, however DD/P was asked to  
have NEA check with the Afghan Desk at State to see if they  
have any information on young [REDACTED]

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l. Noted he had been advised by Dick Harkness he intends to do a piece on Khrushchev and asked DD/P if we had any unclassified information we might make available to Harkness. Mr. Wisner said he thought we did, and undertook to assemble a folder which is to be sent the Director for release.

m. Referred to a DD/I bi-weekly publication, Sino-Soviet Bloc Economic Activities in Underdeveloped Countries, and noted he always read it with interest and asked Mr. Amory to pass this along to the people who work on it. The Director commented he assumed DD/P is making available items of interest which should be included in this publication.

n. Noted a memorandum he had received from C/NEA based on a conversation recently held with an Afghan and which indicated that this country is about to "go to hell in a hack" unless immediate action is taken by the US and said that the recommendations to implement such action were far reaching and should be passed on by the policy makers. The Director asked Mr. Wisner to have another look at this memo and passed it to Mr. Amory for comment. Note: Subsequent to the meeting

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request he was arranging to have see the Director to discuss the information contained in the above-mentioned memo.

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o. Referred to a cable from respecting the and noted he did not see much use in showing this message to the Secretary of State until after it had been staffed out. Mr. Wisner said it had been passed to the Committee and he assumed such action would be forthcoming. The Director commented that the contents of the cable in question would be a good item to include in the CIA publication, Sino-Soviet Bloc Economic Activities in Underdeveloped Countries.

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Mr. Wisner:

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b. Reported that Under Secretary of State Hoover had approved trip discussed at the Deputies' Meetings on 9 and 13 July.

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c. Asked the Director if any decision had been made on Dr. The Director said he had talked to this man and that he is actually seeking career employment on the

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covert side of the house. He also noted that Security is checking him out, however, no final decision has been made.

Mr. Amory:

Referred to Assistant Secretary of the Interior Felix E. Wormser's request that CIA physically assume responsibility for the Board of Geographic Names and noted that as a result of several problems which this request raises, a staff study had been prepared in which he had concurred and forwarded to DD/S for comment.

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